

STATEMENT

(Rs. in crores)

Environment Improvement of Urban Slums (EIUS)		Urban Water Supply and Sanitation (UWS and S)	
Outlay	Expenditure	Outlay	Expenditure
SEVENTH PLAN (1985-90)			
1985-86	4.00	6.50	6.00
1986-87	6.55	6.55	8.00
1987-88	6.93	6.93	5.80
1988-89	7.89	7.89	5.43
1989-90	8.50	8.50	7.65
EIGHTH PLAN (1992-97)			
1992-93	10.50	26.00	9.99
1993-94	7.00	4.04	6.53
1994-95	5.00	1.00	10.12
1995-96	2.70	2.00	4.36
1996-97*	-	-	-

* Outlays have not been finalised by the Planning Commission.

[Translation]

Drinking Water and Houses of SCs

3960. DR. ARVIND SHARMA : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of housing units constructed under 'Indira Awaas Yojana' in Rajasthan and the details of open and covered area of land allotted to a housing unit;

(b) whether some allottees were having proper housing facility as a result of which no one has started residing in the allotted housing units so far;

(c) the number of those persons who do not have housing facility so far and the reasons for which they have been neglected;

(d) whether the hand pumps setup for the persons belonging to scheduled castes in the State have gone out of order for many years and as a result of which these people have to depend on others for potable water;

(e) whether the Government propose to arrange potable water and pucca housing facility to the persons belonging to the scheduled castes of the State in future; and

(f) if so, the time by which these facilities are likely to be provided to each family of S.C. community?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VARMA) : (a) Since inception of IAY scheme, the number of houses constructed in Rajasthan upto October, 1996 is 154127 units. As per IAY guidelines, the layout, size and type design of the house will depend upon local conditions. Hence no type design is prescribed for IAY houses except that the plinth area of the houses should be around 20 sq. mts.

(b) to (f). The information is being collected and will be laid down on the Table of the House.

[English]

Receipt of Letters

3961. SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of letters received in the offices of Chief Engineer, Executive Engineer, Sperintending Engineer, CPWD., Sewa Bhawan Circle-VI East Block and "S" Division East Block, R.K. Puram, New Delhi during the period between August 1, 1995 and November 30, 1996 from various Residents Welfare Associations;

(b) the number of letters, which have not so far been acknowledged by the said offices/officers;

(c) the number of letters to which a final reply has not been sent so far;

(d) whether Government propose to take any action against the official responsible for not acknowledging/replying the letters received from the Area Welfare Associations; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

[Translation]

Environmental Pollution

3962. SHRI BHAGWAN SHANKAR RAWAT : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Action Plan formulated by the Government for saving Taj area from environmental

pollution under the Ten Point Programme is going on as per time-schedule;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any supplementary system was introduced as per prior declaration of the Government for laying supplementary natural gas pipeline and developing its distribution system in Agra-Firozabad region;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether any quotations have been invited from the private sector by the Government in this regard;
- (g) if so, the terms and conditions thereof; and
- (h) the time by which the construction work likely to commence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU):
 (a) and, (b). Yes, Sir. As per the Ten Point Action Plan formulated by the Government, the LPG waiting list has been virtually eliminated; a number of retail outlets have started supplying unleaded petrol in Taj Trapezium area, 0.25% sulphur content diesel is being supplied w.e.f. 1.9.1996, plans for supply of natural gas to industries and Mathura Refinery are going on as per schedule, LPG is offered to industries on preferential basis, environmental audit of Mathura Refinery has been carried out by Internationally reputed agency, retail outlets have been identified for supply of CNG, Government have approved a project for hydrocracker technology for Mathura Refinery and ADB assistance is being examined for environmental management.

(c) to (e). Does not arise. Pipeline is being put up to supply natural gas to Mathura refinery and industries in Agra-Firozabad region.

(f) and (g). GAIL has invited offer from parties for setting up of Joint Venture Company (JVC) with it for distribution of natural gas in Agra and Firozabad. As per the terms and conditions, the main requirements were that the party :

- (i) Should be a registered company with 5 years standing.
- (ii) Should have commissioned project worth Rs. 50 crore or more.
- (iii) Should have raised equity of minimum Rs. 5 crore.
- (iv) Should have served minimum 100 industrial consumers.

(h) Pending formation of a Joint Venture Company, GAIL has started the construction work on the pipeline from 1.11.1996.

[English]

Meeting of Bureaucrats

3963. SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV :

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY :

SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL :

SHRI MUKHTAR ANIS :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the conference of Chief Secretaries of States have recommended the enactment of a statutory Charter of Ethnic and Civil Services Code to regulate the interaction between the politicians and the bureaucracy and the establishment of Civil Service Board to process posting, transfer and other service-related matters;

(b) if so, whether the conference has also suggested the introduction of a citizen's charter to ensure accountability of the bureaucracy; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government to those recommendations and suggestion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) to (c). It is the endeavour of the Government of India to provide a clean, responsive, open, decentralised and accountable Government at various levels. As a part of efforts towards achieving this, the Government initiated a National Debate on Effective and Responsive Administration. The Conference of Chief Secretaries held on 20th November, 1996 was the first step in this regard.

The Conference of Chief Secretaries recommended inter alia that :

- (i) The Government of India and State Governments should draw up a Charter of Ethics and Civil Service Code for the civil service which is based on the fundamental principles of the Indian constitution such as secularism, equality, impartiality, social justice, attention to the needs of the weaker sections, rule of law, etc.
- (ii) The State Governments will be requested to devise suitable mechanisms including a high powered Civil Service Board, and amend relevant rules, for transparent decisions on postings, promotions and transfers of officials at all levels.
- (iii) Accountability should be interpreted in a larger sense in relation to public satisfaction and responsive delivery of services. For this purpose, a phased introduction of Citizens Charter for as many service institutions as possible could be considered.